

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 352

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to recognize and congratulate Tanaesha Thomas upon being named Senior Youth of the Year by the Boys & Girls Club of Morristown.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their remarkable efforts, have distinguished themselves as emerging community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable individual is Tanaesha Thomas, who was recently named the Boys & Girls Club of Morristown's Senior Youth of the Year; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Andre' and Rachel Thomas and Ashley Gibson, Ms. Thomas has been a member of the Boys & Girls Club for eleven years; and

WHEREAS, during her time with the Boys & Girls Club of Morristown, she has participated in various programs and activities, including TEENS supreme Center, Career Launch, Young Women of Distinction, Teen Basketball League, and Project Learn Keystone Club, which she served as president; and

WHEREAS, Tanaesha Thomas has also volunteered with the Boys & Girls Club, assisting with the annual Super Auction, Family Nights, Halloween parties, and Christmas luncheons; she has also served meals through the summer feeding and the club's Tasty Tuesday and Tasty Thursday program; and

WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Clubs exist to serve youth and be safe places of encouragement, character building, security, and love for children; and

WHEREAS, since 1947, the Youth of the Year has been the Boys & Girls Clubs of America's premier recognition program, celebrating the extraordinary achievements of club members; and

WHEREAS, Youth of the Year participants embody the values of leadership, service, academic excellence, and healthy lifestyles; Youth of the Year participants such as Ms. Thomas exemplify the critical impact of Boys & Girls Clubs on the lives of young people; and

WHEREAS, Tanaesha Thomas is a shining example that GREAT FUTURES START HERE—at the Boys & Girls Clubs; and

WHEREAS, the success of this State, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people such as Ms. Thomas, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others and who should be specially recognized for their public and community service; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we recognize and congratulate Tanaesha Thomas upon being named Senior Youth of the Year by the Boys & Girls Club of Morristown, extending our best wishes for much continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.